ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

AUDITORS

OF THE

TOWN OF HUNTINGTON

VERMONT

FOR THE

Year Ending February 8, 1910

Bring this Book to Town Meeting.

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TOWN AUDITORS' REPORT.

We have made a careful examintion of the affairs of the town of the books and accounts of the several officers and have approved the same. We submit the following for your approval.

M E Brewster,
O H Morrill, } Auditors.
H W Gillett,

Huntington, Vt., Feb. 8, 1610.

Selectmen's Report.

167	Eli Stokes, shoveling snow,	$1 50
168	J E Andrews, watering trough,	3 00
1	Wilson Brothers, printing town reports,	16 00
2	George Chapman, paid for damage by dogs,	9 50
3	E O Gorton, labor on breakwater,	33 60
4	G A Baker, labor on breakwater,	30 70
	April 19 to 24—By man and team 56 hours $22.40, man 56 1-3 hours $8.30	
5	A E Carpenter, labor on breakwater,	4 50
6	Grant Kenyon, work on bridge,	5 00
7	C S Brewster, man and team 27 h, man 24 12 h, breakwater,	13 12
8	H C McNall, road machine,	159 80
9	Grand Army Post,	25 00
10	G M Norton, state highway tax,	187 78
11	state school tax,	300 45
12	county tax,	37 56
13	J C Mahan, labor and cash paid,	60 90
14	W E Martin, services as lister, 90h $13.60, cash paid $1.82,	19 82
15	J S Sweet, lister, 94 1-2h $18.90, cash paid $2.35,	21 15
16	" interest on U S deposit,	70 87
17	H L Hallock, lister, 110h	22 00
18	Pearl Swain, 15h labor highway,	2 25
19	H H Brewster, labor and cash paid,	21 00
20	E C Gorton, labor,	6 00
21	C W Jimmo, 29 1-2h on bridge,	4 35
22	John Andrews, man and team 40h $14, man 36h $5.40, 3 hardwood plank $1.15,	20 55
23	W E Hanks & Son, 372 feet timber for bridge,	5 95
24	H I Kemp, ministerial fund,	20 00
25	J H Norton, bridge plank,	111 53
26	B E Morrill, town clerk,	19 97

To Aug. 1	To notices and recording same for annual meeting,	$1 00
	Attendance at March meeting,	2 00
	Educational statistics, 149 at 3c,	4 47
	Examining and reporting grand list, 1909,	5 00
	Making out tax bills,	5 00
	Statistical reports, 16 certificates,	1 90
	" " 4 copies,	60—19 97

27	M D Dimick, insurance on town house,	6 40
28	W L Ring, land damages,	8 00
29	E O Gorton, labor,	10 00
30	James Phillips, land damage,	5 00
31	Myron Ross, labor on bridge,	3 50
32	E O Gorton, labor, plank and money paid out,	32 50
33	W J Ravlin, water trough,	1 50
34	G A Baker, 30h 2 men and team on breakwater,	8 25
35	Ira Bobar, painting bridge,	4 00
36	B J Tromblay, labor on flag pole, 10 ft plank, hauling to Ctr,	3 33
37	I A Ring, repairing stones and cemetery fence,	8 00
38	Fred Higley, land damage,	2 00
39	E O Gorton, labor on bridge,	5 00
40	" " and cash paid out,	42 87
41	Ed Charles, 25 hours cutting brush,	3 75
42	A E Carpenter, labor on bridge and cutting brush,	7 45
43	Pierce & Read, cedar posts for cemetery fence,	5 00
44	E O Gorton,	11 50
45	" stringers and plank,	44 80
46	" labor and cash paid,	18 73
47	L G Brace, drawing stone for bridge,	6 17
48	I M Bobar, painting bridge,	4 00
49	Ed Charles, 12 days cutting brush,	18 00
50	G S Gorton, stringers and plank,	12 40
51	M S Ross, labor on bridge,	1 50
52	E O Gorton, burning brush and cash paid out for labor,	5 00
53	H H Brewster, labor, plank and cash paid,	20 55
54	Free Press Association, order book,	1 64
55	Hill & Miles, supplies, etc,	3 69
56	H A Thurber, order books,	2 65
57	J C Mahan, labor and cash paid,	34 54
58	Geo Bartlett & Co, 2817 feet plank, 6 sticks dynamite,	46 63
59	Mrs O H Ellis, land damage,	8 00
60	B F O'Brien, abatement of taxes,	14 44
61	F R Strong, " "	37 08
62	B F O'Brien, water trough,	3 00
63	J H Norton, lumber and plank,	16 25
64	T LaForce, cutting brush,	8 00
65	E O Gorton, labor and money paid,	6 37
66	F H Higley, work on bridge,	1 00
67	Hiram Pierce, water trough,	3 00
68	N A Carpenter, 198 feet plank,	3 16
59	L E Baldwin, land damage,	5 00
60	E O Gorton, taking census,	6 56
61	C Kenyon, land damage for 5 years,	12 50
72	C H Rollins, 10h cutting brush,	1 50

73	H H Brewster, labor and cash paid,		8 40
74	E O Gorton, " "		13 18
75	O H Morrill, labor on bridge,		5 00
76	J N Ellis, supplies for town house,		1 95
77	G M Norton, tax notices,		5 15
78	" mailing tax notices,		5 98
79	" 110h as school director,		16 50
80	F D Falby, health officer's services,		13 75
	Aug 23 and 24, 2 days at Montpelier,	$8 00	
	Actual expense attendance health officers' meeting 2 days at Montpelier,	4 00	
	Sept 16, Visit Lila Johns,	75	
	Jan 14, 1910, Biennial report to secretary state board of health,	1 00—13 75	
81	J S Sweet, trustee U S surplus,		3 00
82	J C Mahan, cash paid,		10 22
83	S J Randall, housing road machine,		4 00
84	H H Brewster, services as selectman,		10 00
85	J C Mahan, " "		10 00
86	E O Gorton, " "		10 00
87	G M Norton, " treasurer,		88 00
88	J E Carpenter, water trough,		3 00
89	G M Norton, highway fund, vote of town,		400 00
90	I A Ring, mowing cemetery,		4 00
91	M E Brewster, services as auditor,		5 00
92	C L Kenyon, plank,		7 85
93	O H Morrill, services as auditor,		2 50
94	H W Gillett, " "		2 50
95	B E Morrill,		6 55
96	F R Strong, 5% of $383.72 taxes,		21 19
	Collected $19.19, issuing dog warrant $1, serving notice $1		
	Total of selectmen's orders drawn,		$2412 78

Grand list, $3638.84			
90% of $3638 84,	$3274 95		
Less 4% for collection,	131 00		
		$3143 95	
Cr. balance,			731 17
		$3143 95	$3143 95
Balance unexpended,		$731 17	

H H BREWSTER,)
J C MEHAN,)Selectmen.
E O GORTON,)

H H Brewster's itemized account:

March	6	1-2 day at town clerk's office and looking over vault,	$1 00
	8	Trip to John Alger's with O H Morrill,	1 00
	17	Trip to O H Morrill's with selectmen and poormaster of Bristol,	1 00
April	10	1-2 day examining road machine,	1 00
	13	1 day road meeting at Burlington,	3 50
	14	1-2 day on road at breakwater after rain,	1 00
	20	1-2 day looking after Eddie Payne,	1 00
	24	1 day, trip to Jonesville after road machine,	1 50
May	11	1 day with county commissioner,	2 00
	29	1-2 day at town clerks,	1 00
June	7	1-2 day inspecting road and bridge at Hanksville,	1 00
	10	Drawing plank, planking bridge, with team, 8 hours,	2 00
	11	Working on bridge, 5 hours,	75
	16	Planking bridge, with team, 8 hours,	2 00
	17	R D Johns, for plank,	1 00
	17	Telephone to H C McNall,	25
	26	8 hours with team,	2 00
	30	Repairing Cutler bridge,	50
July	2	Putting in plank on Strong bridge,	50
	22	Cash paid John Miles for plank,	35
	22	Labor,	25
Aug.	9	26 feet plank,	42
		Mending bridge,	25
		Telephone,	10
	18	2 1-2 hours labor looking after bridge,	50
	19	1 day " " "	2 00
Sept.	1	103 feet plank,	1 63
		Repairing bridge,	25
	2	Planking bridge, 1-2 day,	1 00
	9	" "	65
	14	Man and team 4 hours planking bridge,	1 40
		Planking bridge 4 hours,	80
	23	Looking over bridge byBert Baker's,	80
	24	4 hours work man and team,	1 40
		5 " planking iron bridge,	1 00
		Cash paid G W Bagley for work planking bridge,	1 25
	28	Trip to appraise damage done by deer,	1 00
Oct.	1	5 hours with team filling in end of bridge,	1 75
Nov.	15	Looking over dry bridge,	75
	20	1-2 day on Carl Higley's road,	1 00
	27	Looking over Kenyon bridge,	1 00
Dec.	4	" " Carl Higley's road,	2 00
	18	1-2 day at town clerk's office abating taxes,	1 00
Jan.	19	" " " looking up recommitment of Mrs Byron Brewster,	1 00

	27	1-2 day adjusting Baldwin's claim,		1 00
	29	Laying pent road from L E Baldwin's to Carl Higley's,		1 40
				$49 95
To order No. 19)			$21 00	
" " 53) To balance,			20 55	
" " 73)			8 40	
			$49 95	$49 95
E O Gorton's itemized account:				
April	14	3 hours labor,		$ 60
	19	30 hours two men and team,		16 50
	22	" " "		16 50
	Order	No 3 to balance,	$33 60	$33 60
June	16	250 feet of 5x5 for Hanksville bridge,		4 00
		90 1-2 feet plank "		1 50
		10h C Jimmo "		1 50
	22	18h man and team,		6 80
		1 hour and 35 feet plank,		70
Aug.	9	2 hours with team,		70
	10	25 " men and team,		12 50
	13	Putting up guard rails and cutting brush,		3 00
	14	10h cutting brush,		1 50
	16	Planking and filling in end of bridge,		2 60
	18	30 poles for guards,		3 00
	19	29h 2 men cutting brush,		8 70
	22	5h with team putting up guard rails, cutting brush,		3 00
	31	Stringing bridge,		3 00
		600 feet for stringers at 16c,		9 60
Sept.	1	8h with team on Gorton bridge,		2 80
	3	5h "		75
		25 poles for guard rails,		2 50
	4	Man and team putting up guard rail,		3 00
		Paid Hanks & Son, for post,		90
		Paid Hill & Miles for spikes,		55
		Paid E E Moody for labor,		2 78
		10h man and team hauling plank,		3 50
		Paid C Jimmo, 27h,		4 10
	8	9h with team on Ring bridge,		2 70
	9	10h		2 00
		Paid McIntyre, repairs,		50
	10	13h hauling plank, planking bridge, putting up g'd rails		3 90
	18	Burning brush,		70
	29	12h man and team on Brace bridge,		3 40
Oct.	11	2h planking bridge,		70
Nov.	12	Paid Dwire, Jimmo, Wright, Thompson, Swain labor,		1 35

	12	Burning brush,	1 50
		Paid E E Moody, labor,	1 20
	13	3h burning brush,	45
	15	4h man and team Carpenter bridge.	1 20
	16	Burning brush,	54
	23	6h on Kenyon bridge,	1 00
Sept.	30	10h by G W Baker,	1 50
		Paid B C Shattick,	1 38
		Paid E E Moody 185h, June 22 to Nov 10,	28 30
		Paid A E Carpenter, labor,	2 75
Oct.	1	10h G W Bager,	1 50
Sept.	18	8h burning brush,	1 20
Dec.	4	Called to look over Higley road,	1 75
	18	Board of civil authority meeting,	1 00
Jan.	29	On C Higley road,	1 00
Feb.	1	Taking census, 164 pupils,	6 56
Jan,	7	3h on Ring bridge,	45
Work on cemetery fence—			
		Telephoning to Pierce and Read,	15
Sept.	13	Work 1h	20
	21	Trip after posts to Hinesburg, 1 day,	3 50
	22	10h at cemetery with team,	2 50
	24	5h picking up cemetery,	1 50
	22	Paid George McIntyre for repairs,	25
	24	Paid A E Carpenter, 10h work,	1 50
		Paid E E Moody, "	1 50
		Paid Sammie Damon, 5h work,	75
		G W Brewster for nails,	35
			$163 71

To order No.	20)	$6 00	
	29)	10 00	
	32)	38 50	
	39)	5 00	
	40)	42 87	
	44) To balance,	11 50	
	46)	18 73	
	52)	5 00	
	65)	6 37	
	60)	6 56	
	74)	13 18	
		$163 71	$163 71

J C Mahan's itemized account:

May	19	3092 ft. bridge plank at $18,	$55 65
		labor,	4 50
		10 pounds spikes,	25

T H Sweet for work,		50
Order No 13 to balance,	$60 90	$60 90
By work on John's, Pierce's, Morrill's and village bridges,		5 50
W W Benway on E St bridge,		75
E E Wheelock guard rails on bridge,		1 50
J Spaulding burning brush,		75
J Mahan 571 ft lumber at $18,		10 27
Plank for bridge near H O'Brien's,		41
W W Benway planking bridge,		50
Rolla Place work,		50
E Ring work on bridge near Norton farm,		75
" " " " Kenyons,		1 35
J Mahan " " "		11 10
Spike,		12
Cutting brush near H Steven's,		50
Deforge planking bridge near E Fargo's,		25
G Kenyon stringer for bridge,		2 50
J Mahan " "		2 50
Fred Dwire work on bridge near Ring farm,		4 74
Geo Chapman planking bridge,		77
		$44 76
Order No 57 for	$34 54	
Order No 82 to balance,	10 22	
	$44 76	$44 75

School Directors' Report.

1	B E Morrill, for school supplies,		$12 50
2	Flossie Moody, cleaning Hanksville school house,		2 00
3	G M Norton, money paid for getting and setting flag poles,		4 00
4	E O Gorton, work and money paid out,		22 25
	Spring term—Making out registers,	$ 75	
	10 cds wood at $1 75 per cd.,	17 50	
	2 flag poles,	1 00	
	cutting out flag poles, 4 hrs,	1 40	
	paid Pearl Swain to help get poles,	25	
	Setting poles at Hanksville and Huntington Ctr.,	75	
	clerk work, 4 hrs.,	60	
		$22 25	

5	Mrs Georgie Pierce, teaching spring term, Hanksville,	80 00
6	E A Bishop, tuition at Montpelier, spring term,	8 00
7	Lila Goodrich, teaching spring term at Ctr, janitor work,	82 00
8	Kathrin Fitzgerald, teaching E. st, spring term, janitor,	72 00
9	Mrs Alma Taft, teaching spring term, Pierce dist, janitor,	72 00
10	Pearl Swain, cutting brush on school ground, Hanksville,	1 50
11	Howard Fargo, janitor and other work North village,	3 00
12	E E Whellock, transportation of scholars spring term,	12 00
13	Inza Ring, teaching spring term No. village,	80 00
14	Clayton Sweet, transportation of scholars spring term,	6 00
15	Henry O Wheeler, tuition for Mable Johns winter and spring term,	16 00
16	Cyrus Hill, transportation of scholars spring term,	4 00
17	Bordette Gorton, janitor work, spring term, school Hanksville,	1 00
18	Minnie Tompson, janitor, spring term, school Hanksville,	1 00
19	Mrs Lawrence Sawyer, boarding Lois Gillette, spring term, school No. village,	3 00
20	L G Brace, 8 cords wood,	16 00
21	" boarding Geo Brace, spr. trm. Hun. Ctr.	4 50
22	Wm. Cabit, conveyance from Sherman Hollow,	50 00
23	J W Fargo, truant service,	4 75
24	Geo M Chapman, wood,	14 00
25	M D Dimick, insurance, school houses,	19 07
26	H I Kemp, Supt services, schools spring term,	5 00
27	W L Ring, conveyance,	9 60
28	H H Pierce, cleaning school,	2 00
29	Julius Drinkwater, cleaning school, work on water closet,	3 00
30	Leon Prior, services, supt. July 1st to Aug 1st,	23 95
31	Mrs Jennie Kenyon, cleaning school, E St.,	2 00
32	Edward E Babb, books, etc.,	53 11
33	Tuttle Co, supplies, etc.,	12 75
34	Mrs Lawrence Sawyer, board'g Bert Gillette's girl, fall and spring, No. village,	6 00
35	Mrs F W Brewster, conveyance, 2 scholars, spr. trm. Ctr.	6 00
36	B C Shattuck, painting school hse., repairing, H'ksv'lle,	40 62
37	E H Fargo, wood, E St. school,	9 00
38	Leon E Prior, services as superintendent of schools,	23 95
39	M E Stevens, wood, East street school,	10 94
40	Leon Prior, tuition Howard Fargo, Richmond high school,	8 00
41	R W Norton, Martha Norton tuition Burlington high school,	8 00
42	Grace Blakely, teaching East street school, and janitor work,	86 00
43	Lila Goodrich, teaching, Huntington Center fall term,	99 00
44	Lena Flynn, teaching fall term Huntington village,	72 00
45	Mrs Georgia Pierce, teaching Hanksville, fall term,	96 00
46	Charles E Falby, janiter and kindlings,	3 50
47	Alma C Taft, teaching in Pierce district, and janitor,	86 00

48	Hill & Miles, supplies for school, fall term,	3 72
49	Clayton Sweet, transportation scholars, fall term,	6 00
50	Wm Cahill, transportation scholars Sherman hollow, fall term	60 00
51	W L Ring, transportation scholars fall term,	15 30
52	E O Gorton, labor and money paid out, Hanksville school, 141 ft lumber and 36 ft plank for step $3.27, 20 ft of clapboards 40c, clerk work 5h 74c, mowing school yard 5h 75c, work 4 hours and putty 65c, telephoning to Prior and going to see Eli Stokes' girl 60c, Putting up window shades 30c, paid Mrs Latterell for washing windows 50c, paid B M Gorton and Clara Thompson janitor work $2.50.	9 71
53	H O Wheeler, tuition for Janet Shattuck, Burlington H S,	8 00
54	E E Wheelock, transportation scholars fall term,	12 00
55	Cyrus Hill, " " "	4 00
56	E W Bristol, tuition Greta Norton, fall term M. seminary,	8 00
57	Leon E Prior, services as superintendent,	23 37
58	Edward E Babb & Co, one gross penholders,	1 02
59	Milton, Bradley & Co, school books,	3 67
60	Mrs L Swinyer, boarding B W Gillett's girl fall term,	3 00
61	Leon E Prior, services as superintendent,	25 01
62	Mrs George Brace, transportation 4 scholars fall term,	19 35
63	Alma C Taft, teaching winter term in Pierce school,	56 00
64	Mrs Georgia Pierce, teaching winter term at Hanksville,	64 00
65	Grace Blakely, teaching East street school winter term,	60 00
66	B F O'Brien, 8 1-2 cords wood for village school,	17 00
67	Leon E Prior, services as superintendent,	25 01
68	Gertrude E Flynn, teaching winter term at North village,	64 00
69	Benoni Sprague, janitor wk, kindlings, No. village,	3 50
70	Lila Goodrich, teaching winter trm. Huntington Ctr.	64 00
71	Mrs T H Sweet, boarding teacher, fall trm.	29 00
72	H O Wheeler, tuition Mabie E Johns, fall and winter B H S,	16 00
73	H O Wheeler, tuition Janet Shatuck, winter tarm B H S,	8 00
74	E E Wheelock, conveyance, winter term,	12 00
75	Cyrus Hill, conveyance, winter term,	4 00
76	Clayton Sweet, conveyance, winter term,	3 00
77	Wm. Cabit, conveyance, Sherman Hollow,	40 00
78	H H Pierce, banking school hse., janitor, winter term,	3 50
79	J M Ellis, glass, nails, school supplies,	5 37
80	E O Gorton, janitor, money paid out, Winter term: Fay Shattuck building fires $1.50, Mary Wright sweeping $1, clerk work 10h $1.50, Hill & Miles for paint brush for blackboards 25c, painting blackboards 3h 45c, book to keep school report in 25c.	4 95
81	J W Fargo, services as truant officer,	6 60
82	G M Norton, flag pole, wood, glass and labor,	11 83
83	H O Wheeler, tuition Martha Norton, B H S,	8 00

84	G W Bagley, 33 1-3h at 15c and cash paid out, Time 5h $1, postage on correspondence for teacher 12c, cleaning school house $2, merchandise for Liberty child at W H Taft's $2.25, ink 5c, broom 25c, express and cartage $1.45, putting wood in school house shed $1.25, glass and putting it in $1, Vira Bagley for janitor work winter term $3, time spent 33 1-3h $5; total $17.82.	17 82
	Total cost of schools,	$1982 72

RECEIPTS

From 40% grand list, $3638.84, less 4% for collection,	$1397 31	
Land rent,	8 65	
State school tax,	245 23	
U S surplus,	71 85	
Value of wood on hand,	40.00	
	$1763 04	$1763 04
To balance against town,		219 68

G M NORTON,
E O GORTON, } Directors.
G W BAGLEY,

Superintendent's Report.

To the citizens and taxpayers of Huntington, Vt:—

Herewith is submitted my first annual report, also the first report of a Superintendent since the formation of the present union district. My term of service began July 1, 1909, and this report is based on a knowledge of your schools and the conditions governing their administration gained since that date. Many excellent features were found to characterize the work in most of the schools, and the results of such work form a good foundation for future progress. The problems incident to securing good schools sn Huntington are, for the most part, those of the average Vermont town. Their solution, however, from the viewpoint of the school officials is not always possible. The voters determine, in a large measure, at their annual meeting, the conditions of organization and equipment. The kind and degree of interest which the citizens show is an important factor in their quality.

Improvements that seem desirable are always present but are not always capable of realization, because of local conditions. What seems desirable to those in intimate touch with the schools does not always seem practicable to those whose interest is only casual. A closer, vital interest of all the citizens in the conduct of the schools and the methods employed would result, I believe, in a great improvement. In the matter of teachers some few changes were necessary at the beginning of the fall term. Miss Blakely was secured for the East Street schools. At the same

time Miss Lena Flynn took the position in the North School left vacant by the resignation of Miss Ring. She was succeeded at the beginning of the winter term by Miss Gertrude Flynn. The other schools retained the same teachers.

To obtain and retain good teachers is one of hardest problems school officials have to solve, and yet on its solution rests, to a large extent, the character of the schools. At present Huntington is, perhaps, as liberal as the average Vermont town in appropriation for teachers salaries, but in comparison to the general rise they will not be, in the future, sufficiently remineratives, to make teachers positions here especially attractive. If the town wishes to increase the efficiency of the schools by the retention of good teachers, it can do so by making an appropriation for salaries which will enable the payment of a larger maximum to the good teacher. The consolidation of schools so as to enable closer grading would, also, make teachers positions more attractive. This would necessitate, however, a considerable expenditure at the outset for the erection of a new building sufficiently large to accommodate pupils. The congested condition in the two village schools render it imperative that something be done to remedy this evil, if the best results are to be obtained. As at present organized the schools are too large for one teacher to handle and get the results that the patrons have a right to expect. If some way could be devised whereby the schools could be divided, and the pupils from East Street and the Pierce district accommodated the results, I believe, would be far more satisfacrory than at present.

EQUIPMENT.

In estimating the work done by any particular school many things have to be taken into consideration and among these the school building and its equipment deserve notice. The buildings as a whole are in fairly good condition and with a few minor repairs could be made as satisfactory as can be expected under present conditions. Of course, from a modern viewpoint, they are not hygenic in respect to lighting, heating and ventilation, as is also the case with the great majority of Vermont school buildings, and could not be made so without a complete overhauling.

In regard to blackboards, with the possible exception of Hanksville, the space in all the schools is entirely inadequate. The Pierce district has sixteen square feet which is not enough for any school. The other schools are supplied in like proportion. At little cost they could be supplied with good, servicable boards. There is, also, a need of maps in the different schools. All, I believe, are supplied with good maps of Vermont, which is a great help. If maps of the continents could be provided from time to time it would be a decided help in the teaching of all the subjects.

There is a decided need, also, in the matter of text books. Many of the books now in use are now in poor condition and will need replacing with new ones soon. If, when this is done, some different texts could be adopted more suitable for use in all the schools, and purchases made in accordance with this adoption better results could be obtained, and I believe, it would be cheaper in the end. For a comparatively small outlay the books needed could be procured. This will be a necessity soon. It is not to be expected that all the needs of the schools can be filled at once, but if something can be done each year, it will not be long before there will be a decided improvement in their equipment.

COURSES OF STUDY.

New courses of study have been placed in some of the schools, though it will be some time before they are in smoothly working order. It is planned to so grade the schools that there may be steady progress from year to year and that pupils so desiring may enter high school with as equally good preparation as those entering from a regular graded school. As at present organized there is a certain waste of time and effort, especially when a change in teachers occurs, owing to the new teacher not knowing just what the pupils have done and what they are capable of doing. This condition, can be avoided when the courses of study are placed in operation in all the schools are adjusted to local conditions.

ATTENDANCE.

The attendance for the fall and winter terms has been fairly good, thoug there is much yet to be hoped for. The attendance, however, at Hanksville deserves particular notice. For the fall term the attendance there was 98.3 per cent. Out of a total enrollment of about twenty during the winter term sixteen were present every day, and four were absent only one day. Under favorable conditions this record ought to generally obtain. The attendance for the entire town for the fall and winter terms was 90.5 per cent. If parents would bear in mind that, directly or indirectly, they are helping bear the expenses of the public schools, and that to get full returns for the money expended the children must be in attendance every day, they would see to it that this desired result is accomplished. The irregular attendance of the child not only blocks his own progress, but it also impairs the efficiency of the entire school. It is to be hoped that parents and teachers will co-operate to secure good attendance. The best possible product of the schools is secured only when parents and teachers, home and school are working together for purposes mutually understood and appreciated.

Permit me to express to the teachers of Huntington my sincere appreciation of the cordial reception they have accorded me and their earnest efforts to do good work in the schools.

To the members of the Committee in due my appreciation of their genuine interest in the welfare of the schools.

Respectfully submitted,

LEON E. PRIOR.

Report of Overseer of Poor.

ORDERS

1	April	8	Annie Latulipp, keeping children,	$12 00
2	"	29	" " " "	12 00
3	May	8	J C Benway, keeping Mina Payne, bed and bed clothes,	16 50
4	"	"	I A Ring, digging Mina Payne grave,	3 00
5	"	13	John Alger, keeping Mina Payne and money paid out,	57 00
6	"	29	Annie Latulipp, keeping children,	12 00
7	"	"	Fred Kenyon, casket and attendance of Mina Payne's funeral,	32 50
8	"	"	H I Kemp, fnneral services for Mina Payne,	3 00
9	June	30	T S Drake, house rent for Rodger Latterell,	18 00
10	"	"	Annie Latulipp, keeping children,	12 00
11	July	12	Maria Carl, keeping Amy Buttles,	38 00
12	Aug	6	Annie Latulipp, keeping children,	18 00
13	"	27	Warham Brewster, money paid out for Fred Cormier in 1906,	34 50
14	Sept	6	Annie Latulipp, keeping children,	12 00
15	Oct	6	" " " "	12 00
16	Nov	5	" " " "	12 00
17	"	"	T S Drake, house rent, Rodger Latterell,	24 00
18	"	"	Maria Carl, keeping Amy Buttles,	40 00
19	"	20	W R Chase, Nelson Sears family,	3 00
20	Dec	3	Annie Latulipp, keeping children,	15 00
21	"	4	Mary Ring, keeping Mahala Johnson and funeral expenses,	126 00
22	"	7	O H Morrill, money paid out for funeral expenses of John Latulippe,	30 00
23	Jan	3	Annie Latulippe, keeping children,	12 00
24	Feb	3	" " " "	8 00
25	"	8	Maria Carl, keeping Amy Buttles,	42 50
26	"	"	T S Drake, house rent Rodger Latterell,	24 00
27	"	"	F D Falby, doctoring Mahala Johnson,	2 75
28	"	"	O H Morrill, services, Overseer Poor and money paid out,	21 00
29	"	"	Annie Latulippe, keeping children,	10 00
			Total cost of poor,	$662 75

June 19, 1909—Received of Eddie Payne $6 25 to apply on funeral expenses of Mina Payne, paid same to treasurer.

O H MORRILL,
Overseer of Poor.

Road Commissioner's Report.

Feb. to May 9	C S Brewster, labor and cash paid,	$86 04
May 10 to June 10	" " "	119 80
June 11 to June 29	" " "	94 00
July 5 to Sept. 2	" " "	57 62
Oct. 16	" " "	42 39
Oct. 28 to Nov. 15	" " "	28 40
Oct. 19 to Oct. 21	" " "	11 00
Dec. 11 to Feb. 5	" " "	20 00
Feb. 22	Hill & Miles, supplies,	1 15
Jan. 6 to Feb. 24	Elmer Moody, 14 hours labor,	2 10
April 26 to July 6	Eli Smith, 414 1-2 hours,	62 18
June 14 to June 26	Walter Gorton, 120 hours labor,	18 00
22 26	Clayton Sweet, 50 "	7 50
25	I A Ring, 10 "	1 50
Apr. 26 to May 24	G A Baker, man 25h, team 15h	9 00
	C Ross, snowing bridge in 1909,	1 75
Apr. 17 to Apr. 22	Nathan Durand, 2 men and team 20h,	10 00
May 6 to May 8	L G Brace, 64h man and team,	14 75
Apr. 7 to June 26	Grant Kenyon, 7h two men and team,	3 50
	10h " "	4 00
May 10 to May 16	Geo Bartlett & Co, 50h with team,	20 00
15 to 27	G Bagley, 20h "	8 00
15	E O Gorton, 10 hours,	1 50
24 to June 26	Fred Dwire, 202 1-2h with team,	81 00
	Will Martin, 2h labor,	30
	Buel White, 6h labor,	90
	Ed Place, breaking and repairing road,	6 00
June 26	" 10h with team labor,	4 00
8 to 14	S J Randall, 50h "	20 00
8 to 14	Pearl Swain, 10h labor	1 50
18 to 19	Geo Warren, 12 1-2h labor,	5 00
19	Arch White, 10h labor,	1 50
22	B F O'Brien, 20h man and team,	8 00
	" 10h man,	1 50
July 5	" 30h shoveling snow, breaking road and digging ditch,	6 60
13 to 21	Eli Smith, 95h labor,	14 25
	Chester Ross, 64 ft plank and putting on bridge	1 10
Aug. 7	Guy Gorton, 96 "	1 53
20 to Sept. 21	Walter Gorton, 78h labor,	11 70
	D P Grange, 10h with team,	4 00
	132 feet plank,	2 11

21		A H Liberty, 10h labor,	1 50
21 to	23	Heman Hill, 15h "	2 25
31 to Sept	1	F W Brewster, 17h with team,	6 80
31 to	1	H Russell, repairs on machine, etc,	2 50
		Mrs Jessie Norton, 972 ft plank,	15 55
Sept. 18		Clayton Sweet, 5h labor,	75
18		Ed Charles, 5h "	75
21 to	30	Walter Gorton, 69h "	10 35
21 to	30	Eli Smith, 69h, "	10 35
24 to	30	S J Randall, 29h with team,	11 60
27 to	30	Fred Dwire, 24h "	9 60
25		George Baker, 10h "	4 00
25		Ben Tromblay, 8h "	2 00
27 to	30	Geo Chapman, 24h "	9 60
		145 loads gravel at 5c,	7 00
		labor on sluice, repairing road,	1 00
29		Walter Taft, 10h labor,	1 50
29		Ed Charles, 20h "	3 00
Nov. 11 to Nov.	12	S J Randall, 15h with team,	6 00
11 to	12	Sammie Damon, 14h,	2 10
11		Hill & Miles, 4 shovels and potato digger,	5 35
11		E W Brewster, repairs for town,	2 48
Oct. 19 to	21	Eli Smith, 25h,	3 75
		H L Hallock, 7h	1 05
		2 men and team 4h,	1 70
Dec. 14 to Dec.	15	Allie Carpenter, 18h	2 70
		Joe Nicholson, 8h	1 20
		E O Gorton, 20 1-2h with team,	6 75
	17	Ira Ring, 20 1-2h	3 07
	14	Rob Fielder, 5 1-2h	82
15 to	16	G A Baker, 6h	90
	16	E E Moody, 5h	75
14 to	17	Pearl Swain, 17 1-2h	2 62
15 to	16	Chas Lovely, 12h,	1 80
15 to	16	F Higley. 12h	1 80
15 to	16	C Tart, 4h	60
15 to	16	B F O'Brien, 20h shoveling snow,	3 00
		7 1-2h labor,	1 00
		E O Gorton, 9h with team,	3 15
		2h labor,	30
		E E Moody, 10h "	1 50
		O H Morrill,	9 55
Total town work,			$959 21

STATE WORK.

June 28-July 3		C S Brewster, 82h self, man and team,	$16 04
"	"	F Dwire, 45h man and team,	18 00
"	"	E H Bennett, 45h "	18 00
"	"	Ed Place, 45h "	18 00
"	"	Grant Kenyon, 45 "	18 00
June 30-July 3		Herb Stevens, 20h and 25h	11 75
June 28,July 3		Walter Gorton, 45h	6 75
"	"	J A Ring, 45h	6 75
"	"	Clayton Sweet, 45h	6 75
June 29-July 3		Eli Smith, 35h	5 25
June 6-June 15		C S Brewster, 125h self, man and team,	42 40
		E Bagley, 65h man and team,	26 00
6	11	Dan Grange, 50h "	20 00
6	14	S J Randall, 60h "	24 00
	11	Walter Gorton, 50h	7 50
	11	John Swasey, 45h	6 75
	11	Anson Fielder, 10h	1 50
	14	Sant Rollins, 32 1-2h	4 88
		Geo Brace, 53 1-2h	8 02
		Jesse Wright, 9h	1 35
		Alpheus Latterell, 3h,	45
		Heman Hill, 20h	3 00
10	14	Eli Smith, 25h	3 77
		Burlington Construction Co,	114 17
Aug 31		C S Brewster, 298h, self, man and team,	89 80
9	31	Eli Smith, 152h,	22 81
11	21	Dan Grange, 99h with team	39 60
11	21	Walter Gorton, 127 1-2h	19 13
12	15	Richard Fielder, 30h	4 50
12	31	S J Randall, 102 1-2h with team,	43 40
13		Fred Dwire, 29 1-2h man, 71h man and team,	32 83
13	28	Ed Charles, 90h	13 51
16	25	Heman Hill, 42 1-2h	6 38
23		John Carpenter, 8h	1 20
16	24	A H Liberty, 42 1-2h	6 38
19	31	F W Brewster, 66 1-2h	26 60
24	29	Clayton Sweet, 38 1-2h	5 78
27		Henry Sisters, 10h	1 50
27	28	Henry Russell, 20h with team,	8 00
26	31	Joseph McGrath. 37 1-2h	4 88
26	31	Geo Warren, 143 loads gravel, at 5c	7 15
Sep 19		C S Brewster, 221h, self, man and team,	66 30
		Grant Kenyon, 108 1-2h self, man, team, 35h man	48 80
		E H Bennett, 91 1-2h,	36 60
14		Fred Dwire, 55 1-2	22 20

Sept 7	18	A Crandall, 95 1-2h man with team,	38 20
13	18	Ed Place, 48 1-2h	19 40
		Walter Gorton, 110 1-2h	16 58
6	19	Eli Smith, 80 1-2h	12 08
		Walter Taft, 105 1-2h	15 83
		Ed Charles, 110 1-2h	16 58
7		Clayton Sweet, 98 1-2h	14 78
9		Henderson Gillett, 40h	6 00
Oct. 1	10	C S Brewster, 120h, self, man and team,	36 00
		Fred Dwire, 60h " "	24 00
8	9	S J Randall, 20 " "	8 00
1	2	Walter Gorton, 10h	1 50
1	10	Eli Smith, 60h	9 00
1	12	Ed Charles, 60h	9 00
7	9	Jack McGrath, 30h	4 50
18	19	Geo Brace,	2 25
Total state work,			$1130 11
Total town work,			959 21
Total cost of highway,			$2089 32

EXHIBIT OF ORDERS DRAWN.

April 28	1	To C S Brewster,	$100 00
May 13	2	"	100 00
June 14	3	Fred Dwire,	53 00
July 2	4	C S Brewster,	276 47
5	5	"	65 00
5	6	" state work,	125 29
17	7	" "	149 60
17	8	Vt Construction Co, " tile	114 17
Sept 3	9	C S Brewster, "	331 25
21	10	" "	313 36
21	11	" town work	123 41
Nov. 30	12	" "	180 82
30	13	" state work	96 44
Dec. 18	14	E O Gorton, town work,	14 91
Feb. 8	15	C S Brewster,	46 60
Total orders drawn,			$2089 32

Of which $1130 was for state work.

RECEIPTS.

From tax of 25% on grand list of $3638.84, less 4% for collection, $36.39,	$873 32
State highway tax,	315 79
Automobile tax,	48 00
Special vote of town,	400 00

State allowance,	400 00	
	$2037 11	
Overdrawn,	52 21	
	$2089 32	$2089 32

C S BREWSTER, Road Commissioner.

Treasurer's Report.

CEMETERY FUND

Balance on hand last year,	$ 168 78	
Received from G Bickford,	14 00	
" " J A Ring,	3 00	
" " Geo Rounds,	6 00	
Total,	$191 78	
DISBURSEMENTS		
Paid J A Ring,		8 00
By balance,	$183 78	

MINISTERIAL FUND

Balance on hand last year,	68 12	
Received from L H Gillett, lumber,	4 71	
Total,	$72 83	
Paid H I Kemp,		20 00
Balance on hand,	$52 83	

DOG FUND

Received for licenses,	81 00	
" other "	16 00	
Total,	$97 00	
Paid B E Morrill for 81 licenses,		8 10
" " " other "		50
" Geo Chapman damages,		9 50
		18 10
Balance to incidentals,	$78 90	

SCHOOL FUND

Balance on hand last year,		19 68
Aug 26	Received from F R Strong on tax bill 1908,	18 05
Sept 9	" state school tax,	245 23
9	" permanent school fund	71 85
26	A M Kenyon, land rent,	7 00

26	Fred Salvois, "	1 30	
26	Hiram O'Brien, "	35	
	tax bill 1909,	1317 25	
Nov. 13	F R Strong on tax bill 1908,	25 54	
Dec. 20	B F O'Brien, " 1909,	79 23	
Feb. 8	F R Strong, " 1906,	20 80	
8	" " 1807,	25 24	
8	" " 1908,	16 53	
Total receipts,		$1848 05	

DISBURSEMENTS.

Total paid out on all orders 1909,		$1900 80
" " old " 1908,		12 09
		$1912 89
Balance against fund,	$64 84	

HIGHWAY FUND.

	Balance on hand last year,	$495 90	
Aug. 26	Received from F R Strong, tax bill 1908,	13 00	
30	tax bill 1909,	832 29	
Nov. 12	state treasurer special all'ce,	400 00	
Dec. 20	" auto money,	48 00	
Nov. 13	F R Strong, tax bill 1908,	18 24	
Dec. 20	B F O'Brien, " 1909,	49 52	
Oct. 7	E H Deavitt, state highway,	315 79	
Feb. 8	F R Strong, tax bill, 1906,	13 04	
8	" " 1907,	18 03	
8	Special 5% tax 1907,	3 60	
8	F R Strong, tax bill 1908	11 81	
8	by vote of town 1909	400 00	
Total receipts,		$2610 22	
Paid out on orders of 1909,			$2089 32
on old order No. 3, dated May 29, 1908,			138 53
interest old order No. 3,			10 35
Total paid out,			$2238 20
Balance on hand,		$372 02	

U. S. SURPLUS.

Note against town for,	$1417 40
Interest paid to June 10, 1996,	70 87

INCIDENTALS.

Balance on hand last year,	$107 68
Received from F R Strong tax bill 1908,	140 09
" " tax bill for 1909 less 4% col.,	2963 87
" " B F O'Brian tax bill 1909,	178 26
" " Ed Payne,	6 25
" " One fine,	1 00
" " F R Strong tax bill 1906,	39 10
" " One plough,	1 00
" " F R Strong tax bill 1907,	57 70
" " Lease of jackscrew,	25
" " Dog fund,	78 90
Total receipts,	$3574 10

DISBURSEMENTS

Paid on orders of 1909,		$2304 91
" on old outstanding orders,		551 49
" Interest on E W Ellis note of $963 94, to Sept. 1, 1909,		207 03
" Interest to Howard National bank,		26 58
" Expense on Ash case,		7 28
" Interest on U S surplus,		70 87
" On school fund,		64 84
" Treasurer, special vote of town to highway fund,		400 00
Total,		$3633 00
Balance overdrawn,	$58 90	
	$3633 00	$3633 00

RESOURCES.

Balance from cemetery fund,	$183 78	
" Ministerial fund,	52 83	
" Highway fund,	372 02	
" due from F R Strong, uncollected taxes,	45 30	
" due from land rent,	42 75	
Due from state on superintendents salary,	177 90	$874 58

LIABILITIES.

Outstanding orders for 1909,	$267 79	
Old outstanding orders,	899 51	
Due E W Ellis on notes,	962 94	
Interest on E W Ellis' notes from Sept 1 to date,	20 06	
Total,	$2150 20	
Balance against town,		$1275 62

G M NORTON, Treasurer.